IN THE SPECIFICATION

Each paragraph is listed in its amended form per 37 CFR 1.121(b)(1)(ii).

1. Please replace the paragraph starting on page 2, line 19, with the following paragraph:

Current network management tools such as Hewlett Packard's ~~Open View~~ OPEN VIEW and ~~AdventNet~~ ADVENTNET, have typically been used by System Administrators for detecting and analyzing faults that occur within a network: The programs generally discover a network and each node or router on the network submits to the administrator if and where faults exist in the network so that the System Administrator can address the problematic faults. The System administrator can select an individual router and provision the router through the ~~Open View~~ OPEN VIEW and ~~AdventNet~~ ADVENTNET GUI. When provisioning a router, the existing tools utilize a standard protocol such as Simple Network Management Protocol (SNMP) or command line interface. The standard protocol is typically communicated to the provisioning tool like ~~Open View~~ OPEN VIEW or ~~AdventNet~~ ADVENTNET by the router during the network discovery so that the protocol utilized for provisioning the router is hidden from the user. Provisioning a router includes router control parameters such as assigning an IP address to a router or assigning a bandwidth for a certain type of communication through the router.

2. Please replace the paragraph starting on page 8, line 12, with the following paragraph:

Media aggregation managers are the subject of a related co-pending application having application number 09/634,035, entitled "Multiplexing Several Individual Application Sessions over a Pre-allocated Reservation Protocol Session," (now U.S. Patent No. 7,013,338, issued on 3/14/06) that is incorporated herein in its entirety by reference. As discussed in the related application, a media aggregation manager is initialized with an expected bandwidth utilization between it and another media aggregation manager. Two Media aggregation managers, having pre-allocated an

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expected bandwidth usage between them, allow residents in a community to utilize a portion of the pre-allocated bandwidth without having to establish individual application sessions as previously required by conventional networks not utilizing media aggregation managers. This type of pre-allocated bandwidth between media aggregation managers saves time in establishing linking protocols and saves bandwidth overhead by not requiring each VoIP connection to establish its own link and maintain its own individual link.

3. Please replace the paragraph starting on page 13, line 17, with the following paragraph:

A "terminal" generally refers to a LAN-based endpoint for media transmission, such as voice transmission. Terminals may be capable of executing one or more networked applications programs. An example of a terminal would be a computer system running an Internet telephony application, such as ~~CoolTalk~~ COOLTALK or ~~NetMeeting~~ NETMEETING.